

Amendments to the Specification:

The paragraphs appearing on page 1, lines 8-13 are amended as follows:

This application is related to the following applications, both of which are filed on the same day and assigned to the same assignee as the present application:

a1 "Versioned Project Data" – serial no. _____, <Attorney Docket 777.337US1>
09/717,645, (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-0558) and

"Project Branching" – serial no. _____, <Attorney Docket 777.336US1>
09/717,723 (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-0557).

These related applications are hereby incorporated by reference herein.

The paragraph appearing on page 9, lines 14-20 is amended as follows:

a2 Project data 206, in one embodiment of the invention, includes data related to software defects (i.e. "bugs"), tasks, development milestones, and other issues that are related to a project. Like the files maintained by versioned file system 208, the project data 206 can be versioned. Further details on the versioning of project data are provided in the U.S. Patent Application entitled "Versioned Project Data", serial number _____, <Attorney Docket 777.337US1> 09/717,645, (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-0558), which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

The paragraph appearing on page 15, line 19 through page 16, line 9 is amended as follows:

a3 The configuration component of URL 332 identifies a particular configuration that the project object is a member of. A configuration is a combination of project object versions that, when assembled, forms a variant of a project. Each configuration can be independently manipulated, and each exists in a workspace that is logically separate from other configurations. For example, one configuration may exist in a developer's personal computer. One example of a configuration is a "branch" of a development project. A project branch typically occurs when one or more source code files undergo two parallel streams of

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modifications. For example, on branch may be a continuation of the development process by a first developer, while a second branch is created to allow a bug to be fixed by a second developer. In order to allow the two developers to work on the same file or files simultaneously, a copy of the source exists in each branch. Each developer works on his or her own copy without the need to worry about changes the other developer may be making. The independent changes can be merged back into a single branch at a later time if desired. A second example is a "release" of a project. A release typically comprises a set of particular versions of source code files. A first release will contain a set of files at particular versions, while a second and subsequent release can contain the same set of files, however some of the files will be at different version levels. Further details on the operation of branching are presented in the cofiled, copending United States Patent Application entitled "Project Branching", serial number _____, ~~Attorney Docket number 777.336US1, 09/717,723~~ (Atty. Docket No. MSFT-0557), which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
